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CHAPTER XLIX. Effect on the Country.

The death of the President struck The death of the President struck left together. As we were descending home to every man's heart with a the stairs 'Tad,' who was looking from deadly chill. The people were dazed, the window at the foot, and seeing us, stupefied. It was something stunning, paralyzing the heart and soul, as if the Speed nor myself could restrain our sun had ceased to shine or the moon to rise. The the people had become some-factory answer." rise. Tho the people had become somewhat hardened by the appalling slaughter of the war, they had rejoiced to the utmost when this ceased. In the midst of their exuberant gladness had come

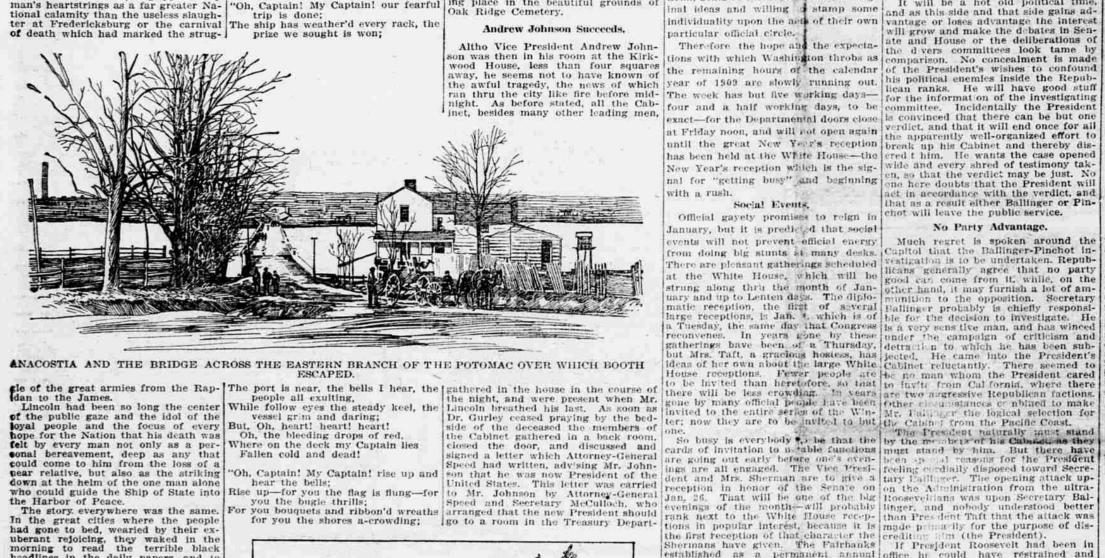
this soul-numbing catastrophe. For the moment, at least, it gripped every

tional calamity than the useless slaugh-

"At the White House all was silent and sad. Mrs. Welles was with Mrs. Lincoln, and came to meet me in the library. Speed came in, and we soon

"Oh, Captain, My Captain."

man's heartstrings as a far greater Na- "Oh, Captain! My Captain! our fearful



uberant rejoicing, they waked in the morning to read the terrible black headlines in the daily papers, and to look into each other's faces with va cant, wondering eyes as the few awful words of the story filtered in upon their dazed apprehension. The tears ran down the soiled faces of even the little newsboys, as they handed their papers to the nerveless hands of the

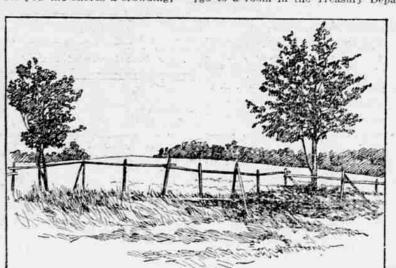
The first gathering in the morning was in the street cars, which carried the men to their work. Strong men looked at one another, the most intensa woe in their expressions, but without daring to trust themselves to speak. The drivers even took the bells their horses, because the cheerful jingle was so harshly discordant to their gnawing grief. Men tried to go to work as usual, but found it impossi-ble. Business of all kinds stood still, for the icy hand of Death seemed to ward ordinary activity. The teachers dismissed the schools, and the children went sorrowfully home to meet their fathers, returning from workshop, counting house or office to drape the

By noon, on April 15, every city in the North was black with crape on ublic buildings, churches, school school houses, factories and private homes. There was a strain of fierceness in this A deep, dangerous fire welled up n the hearts of every man who loved lincoln which those who did not thought it best to regard, so they followed the custom, and hung out their badges of mourning with the others. Depressing Scenes at the White House.

that Mrs. Lincoln sent for Mrs. Welles

the remains. The body lay in state until the 21st, when it was started on

the body lay in state to be visited by tens of thousands. The funeral ser-



THE FUGITIVES' RETREAT. Note,-In the foreground between the two trees is the spot where Booth

their eager faces turning; Here, Captain, dear father! This arm beneath your head: It is some dream that on the deck You've fallen cold and dead.

'My Captain does not answer, his lips has no pulse nor will:

are pale and still; My father does not feel my arm, Secretary Welles, in his Diary, says The ship is anchored safe and sound,



HOME OF DR. SAMUEL A. MUDD.

"I went after breakfast to the Execu-Mansion. There was a cheerless, rain, and everything seemed Walk the deck my Captain lies, Fallen cold and dead."

Twing in State, White House were several hundred colored people—mostly women and children—weeping and wailing their ioss. This crowd did not seem to din wept when I met them.

to come to her. The Secretary con- From fearful trip the victor ship comin with object won. Exult, oh, shores, and ring, oh, bells!

The remains of the murdered Presi dent were embalmed on Saturday, and placed on a grand catafalque in the minish thru the whole of that cold, wet day; they seemed not to know what was to be their fate since their great House. On Tuesday the public was adbenefactor was dead, and their hopeless srief affected me more than almost anything else, tho strong and brave men went when I met them. Room. Mrs. Lincoln was too ill to be



and Herold were secreted for six days.

For you they call, the swaying mass, | ment, when the Chief Justic would administer the oath of office in the pres-ence of the Cabinet. Throut this trying ceremony the President bore himself with dignity and with an apparent sense of the fitness of the momentous occasion. A Cabinet meeting was held at noon, at which President Johnson expressed a desire that the affairs of the Government should proceed withinterruption, and requested the members to continue in their places. There was some discussion as to an in-auguration and an inaugural address. but this met with little favor from anyone. The feelings of the Nation vere too deep for anything except testifying to their consuming grief and outpouring love for the martyred Lin-President Johnson expressed nimself as against an inauguration or in address, saying that his policy would an address, saying that his policy would be best indicated by his acts, and that he should strive in all things to carry forward the work designed by his forward the work designed by his predecessor. The Secretary of the reasury offered the President a room n his Department for his office until it seemly for him to ocupy the White House.

## Pursuit of the Conspirators.

On the night of the assassination the were all in feverish quest of the principal assassin and his accomplices. Maj.

A. C. Richards, Chief of the Washing-ton Palice were in the the them. on Police, was in the theater at the time that Booth fired the fatal shot, and immediately sent out a party of deectives to follow him into Maryland. In the meanwhile the detectives and police arrested everyone who could possibly have any information or complicity with the assassination, and the prisons were speedily filled with these that the prisons were speedily filled with the assassination, and the prisons were speedily filled with these that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons with the prisons were speedily filled with the same that the prisons with the prisons wit the prisons with the prisons with the prisons with the prisons In the meanwhile the detectives and

# THE FIRST AND LAST WEEKS.

End of the Old Year and Beginning of the New-Congress Ready for Business—The Great Ballinger-Pinchot Imbroglio—A Bill to Secure the Water Powers.

All this week Washington is proceeding leisurely, but looking over the line cial or a regular committee of the Seninto the promised land of the New critishall be the work of joint committee of the Seninto the promised land of the New critishall be the work of joint committee. Year. January always is a big official tees month. It will be bigger in 1910, perhaps, than in many of the cycles that have passed into eternity. Everyone, in every field of official activity sooms. its final journey to the former home of the President at Springfield, Ill. The route taken was thru the principal cities of the North, at each of which in every field of official activity, seems with information that will be very with information that will be very with information that will be very

lelphia, New York City, Albany, Co-umbus, Indianapolis and Chicago were

But it peculiarly impressive, and were joined in by extraordinary numbers. The journey ended at Springfield, where the of the new Administration, the first official season furnishing material for the muckraking magazines that have been printing of the new Administration, the first official season furnishing material for the muckraking magazines that have been printing to the new Administration, the first official season for the muckraking material for the muckraking magazines that have been printing to the new Administration, the first official season for the muckraking magazines that have been printing to the new Administration, the first official season for the muckraking material for the muckraking magazines that have been printing to the new Administration. peculiarly impressive, and were joined in by extraordinary numbers. The jourcatafalque remained in the House of Representatives for 24 hours. On the Administration, and so > thru a cate- of some of the muckraking magazines norning of May 4 a great procession, Of the thousands of poems which were written at this time in sorrow for Lincoln much the best is Walt Whitman's "Oh, Captain, My Captain":

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Andrew Johnson Succeeds

ed. because new persons are at the Secretary Ballinger will also be asked to "make good" their statements.

It will be a hot old political time, and as this side and that side gains advantage or loses advantage the interest particular official circle.

#### Social Events,

Official gayety promises to reign in January, but it is predicted that social

The Fairbanks have given,

out a lot of work which promises to be sarily another on interstate commerce succeeds and house. The committees thereof can then attempt to evolve something in the way of general legislation which about what will happen. There are thick and thin. They will take fresh some who say that there will be a lot umbrage at the efforts to discredit him, of talk and a lot of running to and fro which the Ballingerites will try to do and a lot of putting of heads together, and then one of these fine Spring days Congress will adjourn without much of anything being done. "Incle Stephen" Fleinds succeed in showing that Pinchot has been co-operating with the muck-

## Congress Full of Ginger.

On the other hand, there are many men who seriously believe that some-thing is to be done, and that the volume of earnest work which is to character-ize the session of Congress during January will be productive of legislation. Speaker Cannon, now resting during the holidays at his home in Danville, is one of those who think there will be results. If there is any one man under the dome

terested in those forthcoming special messages as it was in the regular annual message which the President dispatched in early December. The manual message which the President dispatched in early December. The manual message which the President dispatched in early December. The manual message which the President dispatched in early December. The manual message which the President dispatched in early December. The manual message which the President dispatched in early December. The manual message which the President dispatched in the special message on conservation which the President intends forwarding to Congress in early January. It is said, however, in authoritative quarters that the measure has practically no chance of becoming law at this to the Interstate Commerce law, including Attorney-General wickens dure will be outlined in the special message on conservation which the President intends forwarding to Congress in early January. It is said, however, in authoritative quarters that the measure has practically no chance of becoming law at this session of Congress. The opposition has intrenched itself very strongly during the last three or four weeks. The bill when introduced will go before the House. Representative Townserd, of Michigan, and Interstate Commerce Commissioners Knapp and Prouty, that he wished them to make a careful study of the Congress in early January.

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gram. The Ballinger-Pinchot Investigation. A greater event possibly than any yet

ready to take a running start and to burn the course during the 31 days of January.

But it is the first January of a new Running that the Pinchotites are to be on the defensive from the very start, for it is the plan to prove the Pinchotites as plotting against the Interior Department and as a furnishing waterful for the much raphy. will be brought on here, and probably

articular official circle.

Therefore the hope and the expectate and House or the deliberations of the dvers committees look tame by Therefore the hope and the expecta-tions with which Washington throbs as the remaining hours of the calendar year of 1999 are slowly running out. The week has but five working daya— for the information of the investigating for the information of the investigating. four and a half working days, to be committee. Incidentally the President exact—for the Departmental doors close is convinced that there can be but one at Friday noon, and will not open again until the great New Year's reception has been held at the White House—the New Year's reception which is the signal for "getting busy" and beginning one here doubts that the President will act in accordance with the verdict, and that as a result either Ballinger or Pinchot will leave the public service.

#### No Party Advantage.

events will not prevent official energy Much regret is spoken around the from doing big stunts at many desks. Capitol that the Ballinger-Pinchot in-

If President Roosevelt had been in

Shermans have given. The Fairbains established as a permanent annual office he could have restrained and event a reception in honor of the Sentante of the Sen on Winter.

These be among the lighter things, this week the President is rounding running wild. President Tart necessity. as to perform a similar office much regarded as the months roll by with reference to conservation, but it He is writing those much talked-of spesulomits bim to attacks which would hal messages, one on conservation and never have been thought of by oppo-

the President asis. Men are already able comment. There are enthusiastic busy expressing their divergent views westerners who stand for Pinchot thru mittee on interstate Commerce, is one who takes that view of the prospects.

Concress Full of Ginzer.

Concress Full of Ginzer. open wide the breach between factions n the Republican Party and give the Democrats something to talk about in the Congressional campaign, now not far away. The President's patience had been exhausted, however, and it was he who gave the word to go ahead.

## The Water Powers.

A stringent measure has been drawn under Administration auspices to bar of the Capitol whose judgment ought to hold good regarding legislation it is ment upon valuable properties now in the public domain. It has the approval Congress is really quite as much in-of the Secretary of the Interior, and, it terested in those forthcoming special is understood, of both the Attorney-

situation and to reach their conclusions vision of water powers. He voiced his entirely without regard to anything he attitude anew the other day in a speech may have said or urged during his where in he enumerated his legal and Western trip. Now that he has deter-mined what he wants and has conduct-ed thoro and exhaustive hearings, the tion propose to have some agitation of President is ready to try to persuade the subject this Winter, in the hope Congress to execute his legislative proof information and in laying the foundation for Congressional action next

year.



#### A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

granted for a maximum of 30 years, and with an option of renewal for statd periods upon special terms. Entry upon the power sites shall be accompanied by plans and specifications covering the works sought to be installed and covering the maximum horse power capable of development. A subtantial entry fee is required, also a transfer to the United States of the necessary water rights to permit of the estimated power development being made. Secretary Ballinger believes the bill has been framed so that it does not infringe upon the rights of States over streams and rivers yielding power for various uses.

mote. The Buckeye Legislature is occasionally Democratic, when there is a landslide in the big cities.

A campaign has begun in California for the seat of Frank P. Flint, of Los Angeles, formerly a Massachusetts man. There is a troublesome Lincoln Republican candidate for Sentator is to be designated at a primary. Mr. Flint is still hesitating about running for another term, but will make an announcement of his intentions early in the new year. Altho in his first term, he has become one of the most influential and efficient of the Pacific Coast Senators.

the Anxious Seat—No Possibility of the Senate Being ond term, North Dakota has a primary

It is fully a year before Legislatures der high pressure. Numerous Senators ocrat from supplanting him. Senator of the 30 who will enter upon six-year terms March 4, 1911, are home for the souri, has just gotten Richard C. Ker-

most 76 years old, who has worn a togation of the Standard Oil down in 1899, is making a most vigorous effort for a third term, and some very strong forces are rallying to his support. His is the seat to which expressident Roosevelt has at times asent Roosevelt has at times as-But the big politicians in New York and some very influential politi-cians at Washington seem to be enouraging the Depew boom. President liscussing the matter here this week, asked whether Senator Root would Pennsylvania; Page, of Vermont; Piles, likely want Roosevelt to come to the Senate.

Pennsylvania; Page, of Vermont; Piles, of Washington; Scott, of West Virginia; Senate.

"Would not the advent of Mr. Roose-velt in the Senate," asked this New Yorker, "certainly result in the overex-President, or become a 'me-too' Senfrom the Emp re State?

"And do you suppose it would be entirely agreeable to President Taft to Taliaferro, Democrats. It is believed have Roosevelt in the Senate forum, here that Bulkeley, Carter, du Pont, where his speeches would be focussing public attention and almost certainly embarrassing the Administration because of the emphasis of his prestige as compared with that of the Administra-

Some think New York State may go Democratic next year; but even in that case the Legislature will almost surely have a clear Republican majority, and the fight for the Senatorship will be solely within the Republican ranks. There are prophets who believe Mr. Depew is likely to win another term.

## La Follette's Seat.

The Senatorial campaign in Wisconsin for La Follette's seat is even now very brisk. The opposition to the ag-

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North Dakota, a small State in population, is now in the throse of a double Senatorial campaign. The death some place for a Democrat on a Gubernatorial appointment. Next Winter the Legislature will elect a successor to Fountain L. Thompson, of Cando, who has just taken the Senatorial oath for the unexpired portion of the Johnson for the designation of Senators, and

in the running. Senator Beveridge, of Indiana, apparently will have no opposition for re-election to a third term from his own begin balloting, but several Senatorial party, but he has the stiffest kind of a campaigns are already progressing unlight ahead to keep some Hoosier Demholidays looking after their re-election ens out of his way by having the latter interests. There is no possibility of the senate being Democratic after that but ex-Gov. Joseph Folk, Democrat, are to be very hotly contested. For some time they will overtop in popular the Republican column next year, and interest the individual contests for the fight over the Senatorship will be membership in the next House of Republican senatorship will be very hot. Senator Moses E. Clapp. in Minnesota, is very much on the defen-Senator Chauncey M. Depew, now al-lost 76 years old, who has worn a togal tions of Frank A. Kellogg, the Govern-

## Other Campaigns.

Other Senators who come up for relection next Winter are Aldrich, of Tart and Senator Root, quietly but ef- Rhode Island; Bulkeley, of Connecticut; fectively, may have some voice in de- Burkett, of Nebraska; Carter, of Montermining Mr. Depew's successor. A tana; Clark, of Wyoming; Culberson, very loyal Republican Congressman of Texas; du Pont, of Delaware; Fra-from New York, who is a recognized zier, of Tennessee; Hale, of Maine; eader for his section of the State, in Kean, of New Jersey; Lodge, of Massa-iscussing the matter here this week, chusetts; Nixon, of Nevada; Oliver, of Florida.

hadowing of Mr. Root? Would he not have to break with his old friend, the x-President, or become a market. ty. Among the number might be men-tioned Aldrich, Clark, Hale, Lodge, Oli-ver, all Republicans, and Culberson and Page and Sutherland will also be given another six years of Senatorial tenure. Senator Carter always has tremendous opposition in Montana, but he also has very strong support. The State has been vacillating between the Republicans and the Democrats, but of recent years has had a large influx of Repubiican voters, and chances favor the control of the next Legislature by that party.

Senator Kean will have a big tussle to get back to the Senate from New Jersey. He is rather a prominent figure in the Senate. The last Delaware Legis-lature was Democratic on joint ballot, but Senator du Pont is counted upon to prevent a recurrence of that when he wants a re-election. In a number of ressive insurgent is decidedly strong, States there is talk about trying to oust out it has been unable to bring out any present Senatorial incumbents, but andidate against him. The air is full much of it is of the character seen in much of it is of the character seen in of gossip about his defeat. He has been Maine and Massachusetts, and not like-unable to get men of his choice nomily to materialize in the Legislatures.